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**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE CHHATTISGARH : BILASPUR**

**Single Bench : Hon'ble Shri S.R. Nayak, CJ**

**Writ Petition No. 931 OF 2004**

**PETITIONER** Mohd. Farooq, aged about 56 years, son of Shri Mohd Gaus, occupation - driver, resident of Balaji Ward, Behind Poonam Hotel, Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh)

Versus

**RESPONDENTS**

1. The State of Chhattisgarh, through : The Secretary, Department of Forest, Government of Chhattisgarh, D.K.S. Bhawan, Raipur (Chhattisgarh)
2. Van Mandaladhikari, Van Mandal, Bastar (General), Jagdalpur, Distt. Bastar (C.G.)
3. The Forest Range Officer, Jagdalpur Range, Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh)
4. The Inquiry Officer, Bastar (Van Mandal), Jagdalpur
5. Principal, Shashkiya Bahu Udd. Hr. Secondary School, Jagdalpur (C.G.)
6. Conservator of Forest, Jagdalpur Circle Jagdalpur (Chhattisgarh)

**Present:**

Smt. Fouzia Mirza, learned counsel for the petitioner.

Shri Sanjay S Agrawal, learned Govt. Advocate for the State.

**ORAL ORDER**

**(Passed on 16th of December 2005)**

At the time of hearing, it was brought to my notice that the petitioner has already preferred an administrative appeal to the Conservator of Forest, Jagdalpur against the same order impugned in this writ petition dated 04.03.2004. The petitioners cannot be permitted to pursue two

parallel remedies, one before the administrative appellate authority and the other before this Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India. On that short ground, this writ petition is dismissed. All the contentions raised in this writ petition are left open to be agitated by the petitioner before the administrative appellate authority. However, respondent No.8 is directed to hear and dispose of the appeal preferred by the petitioner, if not already done, as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of 6 weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. The office is directed to forthwith dispatch a copy of this order to respondent No.8. There shall be no order as to costs.

Sd/-
Chief Justice